



Crop Progress and Condition



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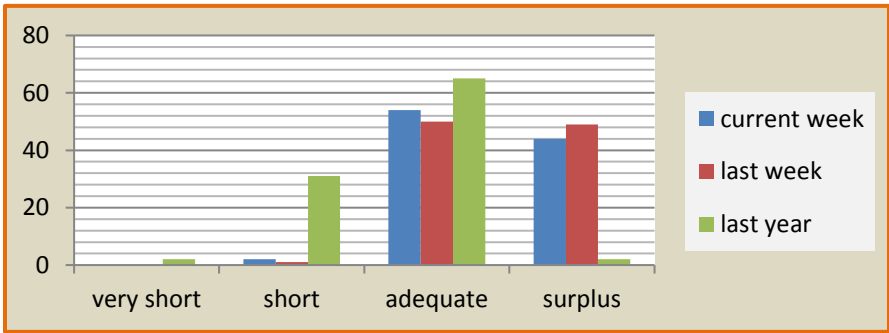
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 3.2. Fieldwork continues to be limited; precipitation amounts were up from the previous week. Equipment is getting stuck in wet fields and the quality of hay is decreasing. Farming activities this week included harvesting apples and planting wheat.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/14/18

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	2	54	44
Subsoil	-	4	61	35

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/14/18



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 10/14/18

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	3	5	25	53	14
Hay	3	10	39	45	3
Soybeans	-	3	9	87	1
Pasture	2	9	32	54	3
Cattle & Calves	1	1	25	63	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	12	81	6

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 10/14/18

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	86	81	79	71
Corn dented	87	83	94	96
Corn mature	62	40	68	67
Corn harvested for grain	18	11	20	29
Hay second cut	95	92	99	98
Hay third cut	55	45	84	76
Soybeans setting pods	90	85	99	98
Soybeans dropping leaves	55	50	63	71
Soybeans harvested	8	2	10	15
Winter Wheat planted	10	5	13	26

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending October 14, 2018

Temperatures across the State were one to eight degrees above average this week. Although the temperatures were only somewhat above normal, the temperature swing throughout the week was massive. The first three days of the week recorded high temperatures in the mid to upper 80s and lows in the mid-60s. These temperatures were 15 to 20 degrees above normal for this time of year. Late in the week a strong cold front brought very cold temperatures into the region, dropping the highs into the 40s, and lows into the 30s and 40s. The last half of the week was about 10 to 15 degrees below normal. The week began dry, but near the end of the work week, West Virginia received large amounts of precipitation due to a frontal system that slowly moved over the State. Nearly every station recorded above average precipitation. The only exceptions were Wheeling and Parkersburg. The Northwest and Northern panhandle were the driest areas of the State. Late in the week as temperatures dropped with the cold frontal passage, the highest elevations saw the first snow of the fall.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 89 degrees. Beckley and Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 35 degrees. The state average temperature was 59 degrees.

Precipitation: Bluestone Dam had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.16 inches. Wheeling had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.24 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.62 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 10/14/18

Temperature					Precipitation				
Station	High	Low	Weekly		Week's		Since April 1st 2018	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
			Average	Departure	Total	Norm			
--NORTHWEST-----									
WHEELING	85	40	61	6	0.24	0.58	39.12	28.29	23.05
PARKERSBURG	86	41	60	3	0.84	0.66	30.71	30.50	23.99
CRESTON	87	40	59		1.23		37.32	23.12	
--NORTHCENTRAL-----									
MORGANTOWN	86	42	61	5	0.82	0.64	32.75	30.27	24.92
CLARKSBURG	86	42	62	7	0.89	0.65	33.73	32.32	26.82
BELINGTON	88	39	59		2.18		43.08	30.78	
WESTON	87	41	60		1.76		47.58	32.56	
--SOUTHWEST-----									
WILLIAMSON	89	42	61		2.57		28.73	37.55	
HUNTINGTON	85	42	61	3	0.64	0.62	35.12	28.69	24.55
CHARLESTON	86	40	59	1	1.39	0.58	36.90	28.25	25.66
RIPLEY	87	40	59		0.95		35.15	24.95	
--CENTRAL-----									
TERRA ALTA	80	35	56		2.21		46.08	37.13	
ELKINS	83	37	58	5	2.15	0.65	45.02	25.91	27.71
MARLINTON	77	37	57		2.06		35.28	28.20	
--SOUTHERN-----									
BECKLEY	78	35	57	2	2.17	0.57	31.88	28.73	24.89
PINEVILLE	81	39	60		2.89		29.47	33.19	
BLUEFIELD	74	40	59	1	1.90	0.57	30.69	29.57	23.74
WHITE SUL SP	79	36	58		2.35		35.90	22.28	
BLUESTONE DAM	76	40	58		3.16		31.07	24.59	
--NORTHEASTERN-----									
MARTINSBURG	85	41	63	8	0.99	0.72	44.13	26.93	23.16
KEYSER	88	39	60		1.68		42.56	27.84	
MOOREFIELD	84	38	60		0.55		30.44	22.91	
State Average Temperature	59								
State Average Precipitation	1.62								

Source:
Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.